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SUBJECT: DRUGS: LAUNCHING OF ACTION PROGRAM FOR
AFGHANISTAN

REF: A) GENEVA 1142; B) STATE 031881; C) GENEVA 977

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1. DEPT PLEASED THAT SCHURMANN' S STATUS CLARIFIED AND THAT HE WILL CONTINUE IN CHARGE OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH AFGHANISTAN.

2. WE ARE IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH SCHURMANN' S PROPOSED TIMETABLE AS REPORTED PARA 2, REF (A). WE ARE OF FIRM OPINION THAT THE FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT STEP IS FOR THE UN/ FAO REPORT BE FINALIZED AND THAT WORK TOWARD PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNFDAC AND AFGHANISTAN BE EXPEDITED.

3. WE ARE PLEASED TO NOTE, THEREFORE, THAT SCHURMANN WILL RETURN TO KABUL THE FIRST WEEK OF APRIL- FOLLOWING SCHURMANN' S CONSULTATIONS IN KABUL AND FINALIZATION OF THE REPORT WE THINK IT WOULD THEN BE APPROPRIATE FOR HIM TO DISTRIBUTE THE REPORT TO POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS IN THE CO- ORDINATING GROUP AND TO CALL MEETING OF GROUP. UNFDAC MAY WISH ISSUE INVITATIONS SOONEST TO MEETING CO- ORDINATING GROUP (WHICH MIGHT BE SCHEDULED FOR GENEVA FOR ABOUT MAY 1) SO THAT PROSPECTIVE BILATERAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION CONTRIBUTORS WILL HAVE TIME TO SCHEDULE

PARTICIPATION AND PREPARE POSITIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATION IN GENEVA.

4. WE CONCUR IN AMBASSADOR NEUMANN' S VIEW THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR UNFDAC TO INVITE BOTH USSR AND CHINA TO PARTICIPATE IN MULTILATERAL DISCUSSIONS IN GENEVA AIMED AT DEVELOPING INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE GROUP TO HELP AFGHANISTAN WITH NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM. INVITATION SHOULD BE EXTENDED IN SUCH WAY AS TO INVITE SOVIET AND CHINESE CONTRIBUTIONS TO NARCOTICS EFFORT EVEN IF THEY DO NOT CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN GROUP MEETING. DEPT HAS IN MIND CONSTRUCTION OF KHANABAD- FAIZABAD ROAD AS APPROPRIATE PROJECT FOR EITHER COUNTRY. ROAD CLOSE TO SOVIET BORDER AND PARALLEL TO IT, AND IT RUNS IN DIRECTION OF SMALL BORDER WITH CHINA. BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE MADE PLEDGES TO AFGHAN FOURTH PLAN, BUT SO FAR AS WE KNOW, PROJECTS HAVE NOT BEEN SELECTED FOR FINANCING, HENCE CHINESE AND RUSSIAN MONEY MIGHT BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FOR FAIZABAD ROAD.

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5. WE NOTE FROM REF (A) THAT SCHURMANN IS EXPANDING HIS

LIST OF POTENTIAL DONORS AND ARE PLEASED HE WILL BE
APPROACHING THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AS WELL AS THE
IBRD, UNDP AND OTHER UN ORGANS AS APPROPRIATE. AN IBRD
OFFICIAL HAS INFORMALLY SUESTED THAT THE DANISH GOVT
MIGHT BE A POSSIBLE SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR THE FAIZABAD
ROAD AS A FOLLOW- ON TO RECENT DANISH LOAN TO AFGHANISTAN.
WE ALSO ASSUME THAT FRANCE, UK, ITALY, DENMARK, AND
SWEDEN ARE BEING CONSIDERED AS POSSIBLE DONORS.

DECONTROL FOLLOWING JUNE 1, 1973. ROGERS

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